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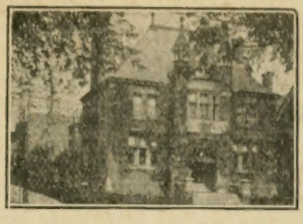

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Nineteenth Session.

It is with devout gratitude to God that we report the present session of the Toronto Bible College to be the largest and most encouraging in the history of the institution. It was feared by some of our friends that the removal by death of Dr. Elmore Harris and Dr. William Stewart would prove such a loss as to make the future of the College uncertain. It is evident, however, that such fears were unfounded, for while we are conscious at every turn of the great loss we sustained in the departure of these two brethern, the prosperity of the College was never more manifest.

The present enrollment of students, which numbers 270, is larger than the total at the close of last session, and as a number of others cannot begin their studies until after Christmas, we expect this to be considerably increased. The denominational representation is also larger, as there are twelve different branches of the Christian Church in the student body, yet all unite to study the Word of God in the utmost harmony and fellowship.

Several of our young men who served on various Home Mission fields last summer came back with a deeper appreciation than ever of the instruction they had received in preparing them to meet the needs of our new country, through the unfolding of the Word of God and a definite approach to the people in order to win them to Christ. In fact, the instruction on "How to do personal work" is proving a chief attraction of our College, as several students, having failed to find this department in other institutions, have come to us.

We are fortunate in again being able to have the valuable services of Prof. W. H. Griffith Thomas, who is lecturing on the book of Isaiah, to the great delight and profit of a number of visitors, as well as the entire student body.

Sustaining Members.

The question of finance must always be in evidence where there is a regular expenditure without a stated income. The principle of faith is one of the foundations of this work, and it has been abundantly justified in the past, and we have no intention of departing from it in the future. It seems, however, that many friends who believe in what this College stands for, as to the integrity and authority of the Word of God and the Person and work of our Lord, have had the impression that the financial need has always been fully and easily met. This is not the case—as for several years the work has been limited for lack of funds, and at present much more could be accomplished were we in a position to invest more money in it.

In order to secure this increased income we are making known the facts to a number of friends, with the hope that

they will become sustaining members by putting this work on their list of benevolences.

We are pleased to report a gratifying response so far, and give a few extracts from the letters received by the Secretary:

Brandon, Man.

"Thank you for the opportunity of having fellowship with you in the noble work of the Bible College."

Guelph, Ont.

"I have much pleasure in enclosing $5.00 to help the Bible College. I feel sure you are doing a good work."

Paris, Ont.

"Please find enclosed order for $5.00, thanking you for the privilege of helping on the good work."

Hamilton, Ont.

"We are very much interested in the information given, and glad to embrace the opportunity to assist. We are very much in sympathy with the School, and could wish the young people generally of the churches could be brought under the influence of the knowledge of the Bible as presented there."

Ottawa, Ont.

"I am very glad to become a sustaining member of the College. I do appreciate the work you are doing."

Brantford, Ont.

"I want to say there is no subscription we have more pleasure in remitting than that to the Bible College."

Toronto, Ont.

"Delighted; cheque enclosed."

Toronto, Ont.

"I thank you for the privilege of contributing to the maintenance fund."

There is still need of many more in order that we may meet the growing necessities of the work. Will you join the number and become a *Sustaining Member!*

Pastor Marsh.

During the last two weeks of October the Bible College had the privilege of a visit from Rev. F. E. Marsh, the well-known Bible teacher and evangelist. Mr. Marsh gave a series of lectures to the students every morning on Methods of Bible Study and Laws of Biblical Interpretation. These talks were very profitable, and were attended by several returned missionaries and Christian workers in addition to the regular class of students. In the evening public meetings were held, when Mr. Marsh took up the subject of "Christ in His Atonement," giving an address each night on some aspect of this great theme. These meetings increased in interest as the time went on, and many testimonies were heard concerning the great blessing that was received from them. Mr. Marsh has the gift of clear exposition, enriched with warm evangelical and spiritual fervor, and his themes are always illuminated with a fund of apt and telling illustrations.

Evangelistic Work.

The Evangelistic Band was organized at the beginning of the session, and the students have already accomplished a great deal in the different kinds of practical work which they carry on. Mr. Glen Wardell is the Leader of the Band, and Mr. W. B. McGreggor Assistant Leader. Miss L. Campbell is Secretary and Miss Margaret Baird Assistant Secretary. The students conduct a meeting every week at the Yonge Street Mission, and also carry on regularly prison work, hospital visitation, cottage prayer meetings and noon meetings among factory employees. On Sunday evening they conduct Gospel meetings in different churches and missions throughout the city. About fifty persons have been led to Christ already as a result of the work of the students during the first two months of the session.

Missionary Work.

The Missionary Society has been organized, with Mr. Geo. Williams as President, Mr. Lloyd Donaldson as Vice-President, Miss Brubacher as Secretary and Miss Pitman as Librarian. Meetings are held every week, when the students take up the study of some mission field or are addressed by some

returned missionary. Four mission study classes are being conducted. The missionary prayer meeting on Thursday morning is largely attended.

The Volunteer Band for Foreign Missions, of which Mr. Mervin Ganton is Leader, now numbers thirty. The Volunteers have been presenting the claims of missions before Young People's Societies in different places, and on two occasions have visited churches outside the city.

Marriages.

Several weddings among former students of the Bible College have taken place since the last number of the RECORDER was issued. In June Mr. Louis A. Gudys was united in marriage to Miss Alberta Schaffrick. Mr. and Mrs. Gudys are now living at 1371 West 116th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and are engaged in mission work among the Jews of that city. In September the wedding of Mr E. E. Preston and Miss Sewell took place in Kingston. They are now in Louisville, Ky., where Mr. Preston is completing his theological course. In November Miss H. Allum was married to the Rev. Mr. Kinsman, of Russell, Iowa. May the blessing of God rest richly upon all these young lives and upon the work to which they are devoted. In August Miss G. A. Burford, of last year's class, was married to Mr. Walter J. Morgan. Their home is in West Toronto. Our best wishes and prayerful interest follow them all.

Notes.

The Examinations for the present term will begin on Dec. 13th, and will be carried on till the 20th.

There will be a vacation of two weeks at Christmas time. The classes will be resumed on Monday, Jan. 6th.

Rev. E. M. King was recently installed as pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, White Plains, N.Y.

Sincere sympathy is felt for Miss L. Russell in the bereavement she has recently suffered in the death of her father.

Mr. Geo. Sanderson, of the Sudan Interior Mission, has recovered in health and is returning this month to his work in Northern Nigeria.

Mrs. J. M. Morgan (formerly Miss Helen Reikie) is now in Canada on furlough with her husband. They are missionaries of the China Inland Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Storms expect to sail about the end of the year for their field of service in Asiatic Turkey, if the war does not hinder their entering the country.

Miss Barbara Mole, of the Canadian Baptist Mission in India, is home on furlough after eight years of service. She hopes to complete her course in the Bible College by taking the work of the spring term.

Mr. Oswald Smith is studying at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago. He writes in terms of high appreciation of the course of study given there, and says that his work at the Bible College has been of the greatest value in preparing him for it. "I am so glad," he says, "that I took the Bible College course first."

Mr. James A. Clark is engaging in evangelistic work this winter. He is at present holding a series of meetings at Hepworth, for which considerable prayer has been offered, and from which much blessing is expected. Mr. Clark will be glad to hear from pastors or churches who would like to have his help in special work during the season. His address is: 980 Fourth Ave. East, Owen Sound, Ont.

Miss Ola Hughes is continuing her work during the session as Bible woman in connection with the Sackville Street Mission. Miss Christina Millar is also carrying on her work as Deaconess in connection with the Rhodes Avenue Presbyterian Church. Miss Lapp has been appointed to a similar position in the Elm Street Methodist Church. Miss H. C. Gessner is under appointment for work among the Jewish women and children in the parish of Holy Trinity Church.

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Mr. Rutherford.

A devoted young life was ended on earth when Fred Rutherford was called home last June. He came from London to attend the Bible Training School in the winter of 1909, and in the summer of the same year went out as a missionary to Northern Nigeria under the Sudan Interior Mission. Last spring he returned broken in health. For a time it seemed that his strength was being restored. He was able to give several public addresses, telling of the wonderful work of grace in the tribe in which he had been laboring. The students of last term will not soon forget the appeal he made on the morning he spoke to them, for the thronging crowds among the villages of some of the Pagan tribes that are now so ready to listen to the Gospel message.

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